

**DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR
PATENT APPLICATION**

As below named inventors, we hereby declare that:

Our residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to our names;

We believe we are the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

**CARRIER HOLDING MICRO-SUBSTANCES, SYSTEM SUSPENDING
SUCH CARRIERS APPARATUS FOR MANIPULATING SUCH CARRIERS
AND METHOD OF CONTROLLING POSITIONS OF SUCH CARRIERS**

the specification of which: (check one)

_____ is attached hereto.

 X was filed on December 9, 1998
under Attorney's Docket Number 10287.29
as Application Serial No. 09/202,229

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with 37 CFR 1.56.

We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 USC 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate on the invention listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate on the invention having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

<u>Prior Foreign Application</u>			<u>Priority Claimed</u>
<u>PCT/JP97/01962</u>	<u>JAPAN</u>	<u>09/06/97</u>	<u>X</u>
(Number)	(Country)	(Day/Month/Year)	(Yes) (No)

<u>Prior Foreign Application</u>			<u>Priority Claimed</u>
<u>8-147574</u>	<u>JAPAN</u>	<u>10/06/96</u>	<u>X</u>
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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, WE,

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have invented certain improvements in

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MANIPULATING SUCH CARRIERS AND METHOD OF CONTROLLING POSITIONS OF SUCH CARRIERS

and filed a United States patent application therefor on the following date(s):

- (1) December 9, 1998, Serial Number 09/202,229

WHEREAS, PRECISION SYSTEM SCIENCE CO., LTD a Japanese Corporation having a place of business at 1843-1 Yanoguchi, Inagi-shi, Tokyo, 206 JAPAN (hereinafter called ASSIGNEE), desires to acquire the entire right, title and interest in the application and invention, and to any United States and foreign patents to be obtained therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, for a valuable consideration, receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, I, the above named, hereby acknowledge my prior existing obligation and hereby sell, assign, and transfer to ASSIGNEE its successors and assigns, the entire right, title, and interest in the application and invention therein disclosed for the United States and foreign countries, to and under the said improvements, and the said application and all divisionals, renewals, continuing applications thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted thereon and all reissues and extensions thereof, and all rights of priority under International Conventions and applications for Letters Patent which may hereafter be filed for said improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States, and all Letters Patent which may be granted for said improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States and all extensions, renewals and reissues thereof; and we request the Commissioner of Patents to issue any Letters Patent granted upon the invention set forth in the application to ASSIGNEE its successors and assigns; and we hereby agree that ASSIGNEE may apply for foreign Letters Patent on the invention and we will execute all papers necessary in connection with the United States and foreign applications when called upon to do so by ASSIGNEE.

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